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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

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Please amend the above identified application, as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please AMEND the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

-- This application is a continuing application, filed under 35 U.S.C. §111(a), of International Application PCT/JP99/00908, filed February 25, 1999.--

